Allocation of funds to maintain Highways

248. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN; Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pieased to stale:

(a) whether it is a fact that Govern ment have been allocating funds for maintenance of the highways within availability of the funds;

(b) if so, what are the norms of allo cation and availablity o_" the funds;

(c) whether any weigh tage is given to the type of carriers anj the goods trans ported on those highways; and

(d) if so, the '.retails thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS PORT (SHRI JAGD1SH *l):* (a)

• the National ar bas- 1 the cur- the order of to be borne by the States.

(c) and (d) No specific ,ge is given to the ty covere \sity of traiiic and taken into consideration in the norms.

Accidents of hazardous cargo carrying vehicles on National Highays

249. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of road accidents On National Highways occurcd to vehicles carrying hazardous cargo during last three years, State-wis;;

(b) number of fatalities and number of injured persons in last three years. State-wke;

(c) whether it is a fact that these accidents have occured due to unauthorised eating houses constructed within safety distance of the highways;

(d) whether it is a fact that large number of such eating houses have been blessed with liquor selling retails; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) National Highway wise accidents statistics are not collected. However, the available data in respect of different State Governments/UTs for the year 1990—92 is at Statement (See below).

(c) to (e) The various studies conducted in respect of road accidents indicate that the accidents occured mainly due to driver's fault, passenger's/pedestrian's fault, bad weather, bad roads and mechanical faults. No data regarding the existence of eating houses with licensed liquor shops is available. However, the State Governments (Transport & Home Departments) have been requested to ensure that no eating houses and liquor shops are situated within safe distance of roads and National Highways.

Statement

State-wise Number of Fatalities and Number of Persons injured during 1990 -1992 on Nationa Highways

States/UTs.	1990		1991		1992	
	No. of Fatalities	No. of Persons Injured	No. of Fatalities	No. of Persons Injured	No. of Fatalities	No. of Person Injured
Andhra Pradesh	1941	5890	1988	5713	2287	6131
Arunachal Pradesh	9	64	9	63	8	47
Assam	587	1588	579	1487	583	1535
Bihar	1006	745	824	652	NA	NA
Delhi	240	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Goa	73	626	74	552	NA	NA
Gujarat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Haryana	752	1602	751	2505	NA	NA
Himachal Pradesh	146	570	104	492	129	763
Jammu & Kashmir	120	300	131	360	NA	NA
Karnataka	1323	6274	1472	7192	1412	7818
Kerala	615	7260	630	3507	709	9750
Madhya Pradesh	741	4429	852	3424	1075	4672
Maharashtra	2087	8798	2314	9284	2563	10364
Manipur	43	336	47	95	35	179
Meghalaya	54	212	53	202	53	212
Mizoram	18	38	12	37	11	47
Nagaland	22	82	23	14	6	26
Orissa	442	1938	593	2599	NA	NA
Punjab	296	360	249	253	303	374
Rajasthan	1493	3714	1382	4263	1514	5267
Sikkim	9	36	14	69	18	110
Tamil Nadu	2284	10068	2437	10628	NA	NA
Tripura	57	344	49	333	56	405
Uttar Pradesh	2694	4014	2944	4175	NA	NA
West Bengal	985	1863	NA	NA	NA	NA
A & N Islands*	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chandigarh	35	56	16	19	19	39
D & N Haveli*	..	..	..	..	..	..
Daman & Diu*	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lakshadweep*	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pondicherry*	41	222	24	131	28	220

*No National Highway exist.